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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Martin E. Denker et al.

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For: Method of Stretching Film and Such Film

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Response and Amendment

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the outstanding Office Action, paper number 9, mailed April 2, 2002, in the captioned application. Applicants have requested a two (2) month extension of time thereby extending to the time to respond from July 2, 2002 to September 2, 2002. Thus, with the two month extension of time, Applicants believe this Amendment is timely submitted. Please charge any additional fees due in connection with this Amendment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3723.

Please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

In the Specification:

In the Claims:

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20. (Amended) The method of claim 18, wherein the film comprises polypropylene.

A²
81. (Amended) In a method of stretching a vinyl polymer film comprising the steps of grasping the film with a plurality of clips along the opposing edges of the film and propelling the clips to thereby stretch the film, wherein the plurality of clips includes

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